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1. Youths born in 1931, 1932, 1933, and 1934 in Macedonia are receiving pre-military training. Groups of 50 to 100 youths are organized, and instructors are appointed from among the non-commissioned reserve officers of the community.
2. In Velusa, Strumica district, there was a pre-military training group of 70 men. The military instructor of the group was Vasil Tushev Abazov, a sergeant in the reserve. In April 1951 Elagod Palankov, a former Army officer, gave the political lectures.
3. In Strumica there were several hundred youths divided into groups of 50 to 100 men. One group consisted of 80 students attending the Craftsmen's School in Strumica. All the members were craftsmen's apprentices, and, according to informant, all of them were anti-Communists. Pance Abashev, a Militia sergeant, was in charge of the group.
4. In the Community of Kosturino, Strumica district, there were several groups undergoing pre-military training. Seventeen youths from the Moslem village of Isleshevo formed one group. Demir Mustafa, a reserve sergeant from Izleshevo, was in charge of the group of Moslem youths.
5. In the Community of Konce, Radovists district, there was a pre-military training group of about 50 youths. The military instructor was Stojce Milev, a sergeant in the reserve.

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